## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL	Ş,	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION	§	
INJURY LITIGATION	§	MDL No. 2323
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	§	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	§	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
Form Complaint and	§	CONCUSSION INJURY
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THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE	§	
USDC, SDTX NO. NO. 4:12-ev-01727	§	
USDC, EDPA NO. 2:12-cv-03778-AB	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
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## **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), Andrew Rice, Sr. and, if applicable,

  Plaintiff's Spouse) \_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacity 4. as the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, having been duly appointed as the \_\_\_\_\_\_By the \_\_\_\_\_\_ Court of \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Cross out Sentence below if not applicable.) Copies of the Letters of Administration/Letters Testamentary for a wrongful death claim are annexed hereto if such Letters are required for the commencement of such a claim by the Probate, Surrogate or other appropriate court of the jurisdiction of the decedent. Plaintiff, Andrew Rice, Sr. is a resident and citizen of Spring, 5. and claims damages as set forth below. TX[Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse, \_\_\_\_\_\_, is a 6. resident and citizen of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive, 7. traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from practices. symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter 8.

was filed in the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. If the case is

remanded, it should be remanded to the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, <u>Houston Division</u>.

9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
	✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;
	Injury to the Person Represented;
	Wrongful Death;
	Survivorship Action;
	✓ Economic Loss;
	Loss of Services;
	Loss of Consortium.
10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,
	, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a
loss of consor	tium, including the following injuries:
	loss of marital services;
	loss of companionship, affection or society;
	loss of support; and
	monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to
expend for th	e heath care and personal care of her husband.
11.	[Check if applicable] $\checkmark$ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)
reserve(s) the	right to object to federal jurisdiction.

## **DEFENDANTS**

12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:

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✓ National Football League;
✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
✓ Riddell, Inc.;
✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
✓ EB Sports Corporation;
✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
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- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; \_\_manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more vears Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable) ✓ the National Football League
  ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] ✓ the American Football League ("AFL") during

1966	6, 1967, 1968 to 1969, 1970 to 1971, and 1972 to 1973 the following teams:
Kansas City	Chiefs, Houston Oilers, Cincinnati Bengals, San Diego Chargers, Chicago
Bears	<u> </u>
	CAUSES OF ACTION
16.	Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master
Administrat	ive Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by
Reference in	n those Counts [check all that apply]:
	✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL);
	✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring [Against the NFL]);
	Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count V (Fraud [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VII Negligence Pre-1968 Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 [Against the NFL]);
	Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 [Against the NFL]);
	∠Count X (Negligence Post-1994 [Against the NFL]);
	Count XI (Loss of Consortium [Against the NFL and Riddell
	Defendants]);
	✓ Count XII (Negligent Hiring [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIII (Negligent Retention [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect [Against the
	Riddell Defendants]);

		Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect [Against the
		Riddell Defendants]);
		✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
		✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
		✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against
		the NFL Defendants]).
	17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or
attach]	:	
		PRAYER FOR RELIEF
	When	refore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment

as follows:

- An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be A. determined at trial;
- For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable; B.
- For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern C. this action;
- For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form D. of equitable relief;
- For an award of attorneys' fees and costs; E.

- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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